Reply of Government.—This cannot be done. The rules are sufficient as they are. It will, however, be ordered that intimation of the final disposal should, in each case, be communicated also direct to the applicant.

SUBJECT No. 86.

Grant of lands under breached tanks for dry cultivation.

Messrs. Venkatappa, Chiknarayana Reddi and Venkataramappa, Bagepalli Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Lands below breached tanks may be granted at the highest dry rates prevailing in the village for raising dry crops.

Reply of Government.—There is no necessity for any such change. The present rules are liberal enough.

SUBJECT No. 87.

Prohibiting the cultivation of lands in tank beds.

Messrs. Lakshminarasimhachar, Hassan Taluk; and Davud Khan Sab, Tumkur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Some lands in tank beds which are liable to be submerged when the tanks are full, are under occupation. They were encroached upon long ago and were therefore assessed and added on to their holdings. To prevent the lands being submerged they cut off the source of supply to the tank and in consequence many lands below the tank lie waste. The water-spread of each tank should be determined and the limits fixed when the kodi discharges three feet of water. No cultivation should be allowed within such limits. The assessment on lands already under cultivation or assessed but not occupied within the area may be written off the accounts. By this means storage will be improved and the waste lands below the tank would be brought under cultivation. This will not only bring in more revenue to Government but will also prevent the accumulation of silt in tank-beds.

Reply of Government.—It is represented that in Grama Hobli of the Hassan Taluk, there are nineteen such cases. In Sorekuntekere of Tumkur water coming into the tank is said to be obstructed and used for irrigation. The respective Deputy Commissioners will be called upon to report after inspection by an Assistant Commissioner within a specified time.

SUBJECT No. 88.

Privileges to holders of lands under minor tanks.

Messrs. Chikkaramanna and Suryanaranappa, Kolar Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Request that the holders of lands under minor tanks may be allowed the same privileges as are granted to holders of lands under major tanks as regards earthwork to be done to tanks.

Reply of Government.—No change can be made.

SUBJECT No. 89.

Gomal lands not to be given to applicants duly assessed.

Mr. Hutcheere Gowda, Gubbi Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The system of assessing and granting gomal lands for cultivation may be discontinued.

Reply of Government.—Such a hard and fast rule cannot be laid down.

SUBJECT No. 90.

Extent of land to be granted on '*Shraya*' *tenure.*

Messrs. Suryanaranappa, Gidde Gowda, Byre Gowda, Kolar Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Though rules have been introduced to grant lands on 'Shraya' tenure, it takes a long time before such darkhasts are sanctioned, and in certain cases they are sanctioned with the greatest difficulty. Some darkhasts presented for lands on "Shraya" tenure between one and five acres are rejected as the extent asked